I'm WITH ya, pal! My name's DENNIS!

Mine's MANUEL!

And I'm MARIA!

Where's this party gonna be?

At OUR house! Grandma will tell us there IS room in the inn, then we go in and have a big party!

♪ POR PIEDAD PEDIMOS NOS ♫
♫ DES UN ABRIGO... ♪

SI!!

Here we GO! Now the FUN starts!

There's the BEST PART!

That's a PINATA! All us kids get a chance to BUST it!

BUST that nice thing? On CHRISTMAS? An' your folks LET ya?

This is a Christmas game we play in Mexico. The piñata's fulla CANDY, an' FRUIT, an' TOYS!

NO KIDDIN'?

I know THIS game! But we call it Blind Man's Bluff!

No, no... you watch!

HA HA!

HA HA HA!

THAT'S NO FAIR! THEY KEEP MOVIN' IT!

SI! SI!

HO, HO!

WHOOSH

Incidentally... PIÑATA is pronounced PIÑ-YA-TA

OVER THIS WAY! THIS WAY!

HO HO!

HA HA

WHOOSH

NO, NO, DENNIS! Don't TELL her!

The kid who busts the piñata gets FIRST PICK of what's IN it!

Yeah? Lemme try it!

HO HO!

HA HA HA!

WHOOSH

?

I KNOW!

NOW I GOTCHA!

WHAP!

OLÉ!

OLÉ!

HA HA HA!

OLÉ!

Attaboy, Dennis! Ya DID it!

YEAH! This is FUN!

Now we have dinner!

Ya said ME! I HEARD ya! I HEARD ya!

Sure... its okay if you stay, I guess...

MMMBOY! That turkey looks good!

This is turkey MOLE!

Looks like REGULAR turkey to ME!

Yeah...but this GRAVY makes it DIFFERENT! Guess what makes it so BLACK?

Beats me! WHAT?

It's GOOD!

There's CHOCKLIT in it!

CHOCKLIT?! IN TURKEY?! BOY, you Mexico guys cook MY way!

I better go now. MERRY CHRISTMAS!

FELIZ NAVIDAD!

HI, MOM! GUESS WHAT!

LATER, Dennie... I'm BUSY!

You gonna cook our turkey today?

No, no...but your father can't WAIT for his favorite STUFFING, so I'm making some for him now.

There!

SAY!

Well.. HUNGRY ONE.. I've got some of your favorite stuffing in the oven!

GOOD! I could eat that every day!

HEY, MOM! DAD! GUESS WHAT!

All right... what?

I've been goin' 'round KNOCKIN' ON DOORS!

HUH?

WHAT?!

An' you shoulda seen me with that BASEBALL BAT! SMACK! Candies an' fruit ALL OVER the place!

OH, NO!

DENNIS, this is CHRISTMAS TIME! You shouldn't be DOING things like THAT!

But...

ALICE! THE STUFFING'S BURNING!

WHAT ON EARTH...?!

That musta been the CHOCKLIT I put in it.

CHOCOLATE?! IN TURKEY STUFFING?!

OKAY... go to MEXICO an' FIND OUT! THEN you'll KNOW I'm not FIBBIN'!!

END

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Merry Christmas, dear!

What's the matter, Dad? It's *MERRY CHRISTMAS!*

It may be Christmas, but it's not very *MERRY* at 6 A.M.!

C'MON! LET'S SEE WHAT SANTA BROUGHT!

Yes, dear,.. wake up!

Oh, dear, HE can't read the LABELS!

DENNIS! WAIT TILL WE GET DOWN THERE!

RRIIIPP!

CRASH!

BOING!

RRRIIIIPP!

BONG

CLANK!

CRACK!

I CAN'T FIND THE STUFF I ASKED SANTA FOR!

I don't WONDER!... IN ALL THAT MESS!

Remember, Henry.. it's CHRISTMAS!

SAMPSON

GAME ASSORTMENT

Johnson

If you'd pick up some this paper you'd be able to *SEE* something!

Oooh! For *ME*?

Oh, thank you, Henry!

OBOY! A Dandy Deadeye Putter!

Where's my *SPACE SHIP*?

There it is.. right there.

I asked Santa for a *REAL* one!

It *WORKS* like a real one, son. There's some stuff you put in it, and....

This stuff?

DENNIS! NOT IN THE....

...HOUSE!

WHAP!

WHOOSH!

CHUNG!

SPACE ROCKET

THAT'S AN OUTDOOR TOY!

That's the TROUBLE.. It's just a TOY!

Now, Henry.. Christmas!

WHERE'S MY SUMMERINE? AN' MY ELEPHANT? AN' MY PONY?

Right in FRONT of you!

I ASKED SANTA FOR REAL ONES!

LOOK, SON.. YOU'RE TOO YOUNG FOR A REAL SUB-MARINE, AND A REAL SPACE SHIP! AND WHERE WOULD WE PUT A REAL ELEPHANT?

Well....

I'm not too young for a real pony, am I? An' we got room for him in the garage, don't we?

Well... er... y'see...

Time to get dressed for breakfast, boys!

Thanks, Mrs. Santa Claus!

Come along, son.. let's get washed and dressed.

Okay.

I TRIED to explain he's too little for a space ship and....

Um-hm. It's the PONY that's hard to explain!

BING BONG!

Who could that be on Christmas morning?

Maybe it's Santa Claus!

HEY, DAD! MOM! HE BROUGHT IT!

?

?

Good ol' Santa! I KNEW you'd bring him!

HO! HO!

PUT ME UP ON HIM, SANTA!

Okay! HO.HO!

But.. what... ?

What IS all this?

HO HO!

GIDDAP, BOY!

Guess you forgot about the contest you entered, eh?

Did you enter a contest?

No... did you?

Just sign here for the pony, Mr. O'Neal.

O'Neal? He lives across the street! Our name's MITCHELL!

Oh, sorry. I'll just get the pony and...

This will break Dennis' heart!

It sure will!

Y'see.. he WROTE to Santa Claus for a pony, and you BROUGHT one!

YIPPEEEEE!

GOSH!

What will we TELL him?